

# Self-Similar Markov Processes and SDEs

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# Goal

Along the example of self-similar Markov processes we try to obtain a better understanding of how to use generators and SDEs (with jumps).

Reminder from Andreas lectures without further details:

A pssMp can be restarted from 0 if and only if  $\mathbb{E}[e^{\lambda \xi_1}] = 1$  for some  $\lambda \in (0, 1/\alpha)$ .

In these lectures we will go through SDEs, generators, etc. with the ultimate goal in mind to understand the „Cramér condition“ in the theorem.

Warning: We do NOT arrive at the most general results for ssMps but get to know a different point of view inspired by the SDE approach to CSBPs (or affine processes) due to (Bravo/Caballero/Lambert and Dawson/Li).

# Self-similar Markov processes (ssMp)

A strong Markov process  $(X_t : t \geq 0)$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  with RCLL paths, with probabilities  $\mathbb{P}_x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , is a **ssMp** if there exists an index  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  such that, for all  $c > 0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(cX_{tc^{-\alpha}} : t \geq 0) \text{ under } \mathbb{P}_x$$

is equal in law to

$$(X_t : t \geq 0) \text{ under } \mathbb{P}_{cx}.$$

**nnssMp** if sample paths are **non-negative**.

**pssMp** if sample paths are positive and **absorbed at the origin**.

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# How to check self-similarity?

There is no general approach!

- For  $(B_t)$  show that scaled process is also a BM.
- For  $(B_t 1_{(\tau_0 > t)})$  consider the joint process  $(B_t, \inf_{s \leq t} B_t)$ .
- For the SDE examples use SDE theory.

## Self-similarity for $Bes^2(\delta)$ - the SDE way

$$\begin{aligned}cX_{tc^{-1}} &= c \left( X_0 + \delta tc^{-1} + \int_0^{tc^{-1}} 2\sqrt{X_s} dB_s \right) \\&= cX_0 + \delta t + c \int_0^t 2\sqrt{X_{sc^{-1}}} d(B_{sc^{-1}}) \\&= cX_0 + \delta t + \int_0^t 2\sqrt{cX_{sc^{-1}}} d(\sqrt{c}B_{sc^{-1}}) \\&=: cX_0 + \delta t + \int_0^t 2\sqrt{cX_{sc^{-1}}} dW_t.\end{aligned}$$

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# 1dim SDE Theory

Consider the 1dim SDE

$$dX_t = a(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dB_t, \quad X_0 \in \mathbb{R},$$

driven by a BM.

## Notation (Solutions)

- A (weak) solution is a stochastic process satisfying almost surely the integral equation

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t a(X_s)ds + \int_0^t \sigma(X_s)dB_s, \quad X_0 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- A solution is called strong if it is adapted to the filtration generated by the driving noise  $(B_t)$ .

Reference e.g. Karatzas/Shreve

# 1dim SDE Theory

Question: Which SDEs can you solve explicitly?

Not many, only if Itô's formula helps. Remember: For  $f \in C^2$  Itô's formula for semimartingales gives

$$\begin{aligned}df(X_t) &= f'(X_t)dX_t + \frac{1}{2}f''(X_t)d\langle X \rangle_t \\&= f'(X_t)a(X_t)dt + f'(X_t)\sigma(X_t)dB_t + \frac{1}{2}f''(X_t)\sigma^2(X_t)dt\end{aligned}$$

Example: Play around with the exponential function to solve

$$dX_t = aX_tdt + \sigma X_tdB_t.$$

Example: Which SDE is solved by  $X_t = B_t^3$

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## Question

How would you construct a positive strong solution for

$$dX_t = \delta dt + 2\sqrt{X_t}dB_t, \quad X_0 = 0,$$

for  $\delta > 0$ ? Note that

- $a \equiv \delta$  is Lipschitz
- $\sigma(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ -Hölder

For  $\delta \leq 0$  there is no positive solution (positive submartingales are absorbed at 0 or comparison theorem).

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## To remember for later

Solutions to

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form a nnssMp that is NOT absorbed at zero if only if  $\delta > 0$ . Recall, a pssMp is by definition absorbed at 0.

# A discontinuous ssMp for later

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## Lévy reminder

For a Lévy process  $\xi$  either

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Example:  $\xi_t = at + B_t$ , only depends on  $a$

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For all  $x > 0$  we have

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- (3)  $T_0 < \infty$  and  $X_{T_0-}^{(x)} > 0$  a.s. iff  $\xi$  is killed.

→ blackboard drawings

# Summary

$(X, P_x)_{x>0}$  pssMp

$\leftrightarrow$

$(\xi, \mathbb{P}_y)_{y \in \mathbb{R}}$  killed Lévy

$X_t = \exp(\xi_{S(t)}),$

$\xi_s = \log(X_{T(s)}),$

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We know  $Bes^2(\delta)$

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Questions: Can you guess the corresponding Lévy process and why  $\delta < 2$ ?  
(there are not many choices)

→ Let's find  $\xi$  with the help of generators.

# Generator Theory

Definition: The generator of a Markov process on  $\mathcal{X}$  is the linear operator

$$\mathcal{A}f(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{E^x[f(X_t)] - f(x)}{t}, \quad x \in \mathcal{X},$$

defined on the domain  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) = \{f \in C_b : \mathcal{A}f(x) \text{ exists in } C_b\}$ .

Note: It is normal to know the action  $\mathcal{A}$  but not the full domain  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$ . To know a large (dense) subset of  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$  is typically enough to work with the generator (see Ethier/Kurtz book).

Note: Often one uses generator computations (without caring for the domain) to guess the results and then develop different proof.

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## A fun example

Fun example: SABR model (stochastic  $\alpha, \beta, \rho$  model with  $\beta < 1$ )

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = \sigma_t X_t^\beta dB_t \\ d\sigma_t = \alpha \sigma_t dW_t \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $B$  and  $W$  are independent even though the  $\rho$  in the name stands for their correlation.

Question: Any idea for the limit  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} X_t$ ?

Hint: Generator is

$$\mathcal{A}f(x, y) = y^2 \left( x^{2\beta} \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(x, y) + \frac{\alpha^2}{2} f_{yy}(x, y) \right).$$

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## $Bes^2(\delta)$ again

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with corresponding Lévy process

$$\xi_t = (\delta - 2)t + 2B_t.$$

Hence, zero is hit in finite time iff  $\delta < 2$  because this is when  $\xi$  drifts to  $-\infty$ .

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# General Remarks 1

There are three transformations for Markov processes and we know what happens:

- change space (Itô formula)
- change time (Volkonskii)
- reverse time ( $h$ -transform)

Keep this in mind if you want to analyze a process !!!

## General Remarks 2

For pssMps (and other processes such as CSBPs) there are three equivalent ways of thinking:

- time-change (i.e. Lamperti representation)
- generator
- SDE  $\rightarrow$  last chapter

All have advantages and disadvantages. Advantages are

- time-change can be good to analyze asymptotics
- generator good for quick calculations
- SDE good because you have Itô formula, local times for instance, etc.

Time-change has crucial disadvantage: No way to analyse process after hitting zero, entire path of the Lévy process is already used.

# Content

- Examples and Brownian SDEs
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- Lamperti SDE and Jump Diffusions

# Extending pssMps to initial value 0 - possible or not?

- Recurrent case (continuous exit)
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Next: Simple proof for special case of spec negative pssMps, **assume  $\alpha = 1$** .

# Lévy SDEs

## A Lévy SDE

$$dX_t = a(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_{t-})dL_t$$

driven by a Lévy process is an abbreviation for

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t a(X_s)ds + \int_0^t \sigma(X_{s-})dL_s, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Definitions and results mostly analogous to Brownian theory, similar Itô construction of stochastic integral.

Example: If  $(L_t)$  is spec pos  $\alpha$ -stable, then pathwise uniqueness holds if  $a$  is Lipschitz and  $\sigma$  is  $(1 - \frac{1}{\alpha})$ -Hölder (Li/Mytnik). If  $(L_t)$  is symmetric, then  $1 - \frac{1}{\alpha}$  changes to  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$ .

# Jump diffusions

We want more general equations in light of the Lévy-Itô representation of Lévy processes:

$$\begin{aligned} X_t = X_0 &+ \int_0^t a(X_s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(X_s) dB_s \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_U c(X_{s-}, u)(\mathcal{N} - \mathcal{N}')(ds, du) + \int_0^t \int_V d(X_{s-}, u) \mathcal{M}(ds, du) \end{aligned}$$

where

- $\mathcal{N}$  PPP on  $[0, \infty) \times U$  with intensity  $\mathcal{N}'(ds, du) = ds\nu(du)$  and  $\nu$  is  $\sigma$ -finite
- $\mathcal{M}$  PPP on  $[0, \infty) \times V$  with intensity  $\mathcal{M}'(ds, du) = ds\mu(du)$  and  $\mu$  is finite

# Jump Diffusions

Integrals defined as in the Lévy-Itô representation of Lévy processes:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^t \int_U c(X_{s-}, u) (\mathcal{N} - \mathcal{N}')(ds, du) \\ & \stackrel{L^2}{:=} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_0^t \int_{U_\varepsilon} c(X_{s-}, u) (\mathcal{N} - \mathcal{N}')(ds, du) \\ & := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left( \int_0^t \int_{U_\varepsilon} c(X_{s-}, u) \mathcal{N}(ds, du) - \int_0^t \int_{U_\varepsilon} c(X_{s-}, u) \mathcal{N}'(ds, du) \right) \\ & = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left( \sum_{x \in \mathcal{N}([0, t] \times U_\varepsilon)} c(X_{s-}, x) - \int_0^t \int_{U_\varepsilon} c(X_{s-}, u) \nu(du) ds \right). \end{aligned}$$

Warning: In general both limits can be infinite but the compensated integral converges under suitable conditions.

Note: If limiting compensator integral is finite, then jump integral is finite and integral is difference of jump integral and compensator integral.

# Jump diffusions

## Example 1:

Lévy processes in Lévy-Itô form are jump diffusions:

- $U = [-1, 1], \mathcal{N}'(ds, du) = ds \Pi(du),$
- $V = [-1, 1]^c, \mathcal{M} = \mathcal{N},$
- $a(x) = a, \sigma(x) = \sigma, c(x, u) = u, d(x, u) = u.$

## Example 2: Lévy SDE written as special jump diffusion:

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- $c(x, u) = c(x)u, d(x, u) = d(x)u.$

Jumps of Lévy SDE at  $t$  take the form  $d(X_{t-})\Delta L_t$  just as a Brownian integral gives  $\sigma(X_t)\Delta B_t$ .

General jump diffusions have jumps  $d(X_{t-}, \Delta L_t)$  which is more flexible for modelling.



## Itô formula for jump diffusions

With  $X$  as above and  $f \in C^2$ , we get

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Special case: Lévy for  $a = \sigma = \text{const}$  and  $d(x, u) = c(x, u) = u$  and  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{M}$ .

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# Exercise

Please find an SDE representation for pssMps with  $\alpha = 1$  !

# Lamperti SDE

## Theorem (Barczy, D.)

Every pssMp with  $\alpha = 1$  can be written as solution to

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where  $(a, \sigma^2, \Pi)$  is a Lévy triplet and

- $B$  is a BM
- $\mathcal{N}$  is a PPP on  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}$  with intensity  $ds \otimes dr \otimes \Pi(du)$

# Lamperti SDE

The equation is not very nice at first glance.

But:

- If we assume  $E[e^{\xi_1}] < \infty$  we learn something.
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Using Lévy-Khintchin

$$\log E[e^{\xi_1}] = a + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^u - 1 - u1_{\{|u| \leq 1\}}) \Pi(du)$$

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Note: Call both SDEs Lamperti SDE because they are equivalent to Lamperti's representation.

# Lamperti SDE in the spectrally negative case

## Theorem (Barczy, D.)

- Pathwise uniqueness holds for the Lamperti SDE.
- Precisely for  $\log E[e^{\xi_1}] > 0$  there are strong solutions for all  $X_0 \geq 0$  to the Lamperti SDE and pathwise uniqueness holds.
- Solutions are self-similar Markov processes with non-negative paths.

Proof: Ugly Yamada/Watanabe type arguments.

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